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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : KNIGHT et al.
Serial No. : 09/901,873
Confirm. No. : 5953
Filed : July 9, 2001
For : PELLETIZING DIE...
Art Unit : 1722
Examiner : Joseph S. DelSole
Dated : January 28, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 (a)

Sir:

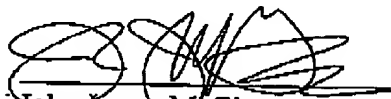
The Office Action dated September 29, 2004 provided for a shortened statutory period for response of three months.

The shortened statutory period expired December 29, 2004.

Since the attached response is being filed within the first month pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) Applicant attaches a Credit Card Payment Form and respectfully requests the Examiner to charge the appropriate petition fee of \$120.00 (fee code 1251).

Respectfully submitted
for Applicant(s),

By:



John James McGlew

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TRADEMARK OFFICE IS HEREBY REQUESTED TO CHARGE SUCH FEE
TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 13-0410.